# LUCERNE VALLEY & JOHNSON VALLEY MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

# REGULAR MEETING MINUTES LV Community Center, 33187 Hwy 247 East, Lucerne Valley Thursday, October 20, 2016 @ 5pm

Richard Selby, Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:01 PM.

# **ROLL CALL:**

## **Present:**

Richard Selby (Chair)
Roger Peterson (Vice-Chair)
Jean Magee (Member)
Lorane Abercrombie (Member)
Joanna Wright (Member)
Betty Munson (Member)

#### **Absent:**

Jean Fuqua (Member) (excused)

# **FLAG SALUTE:** Led by Richard Selby

<u>APPROVAL OF AGENDA:</u> The October 20, 2016 agenda was presented to the MAC members for review and approval. Member, Jean Magee, made a motion to accept agenda with an addition of James Ramos as the Guest Speaker; Vice-Chair, Roger Peterson seconded the motion. Agenda approved with a majority.

<u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u>: Draft minutes from the September 15, 2016 regular meeting were submitted for approval. Member, Betty Munson, made a motion to accept as submitted; Member, Joanna Wright seconded the motion. Minutes approved with a majority.

# **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

GUEST SPEAKER: James Ramos, Third District Supervisor, made a surprise visit to Lucerne Valley and stopped in to update Council and Audience of issues concerning the area such as the cell tower that has gone up recently on a proposed scenic byway Hwy 247, and SB 1262 and SB 1263 that was recently signed by Governor Jerry Brown that affects hauled water, homeless issues, and dump site issues. Supervisor, Ramos spoke briefly about sending a letter of opposition on SB1262 and SB 1263, and working with SB County Code Enforcement on dump site issues. He encouraged the public to let the MAC know of issues in the area because they do listen. Supervisor Ramos then turns it to the floor and takes questions from the public present and council members and they advocate for resolutions to this issues. Chair, Richard Selby, thanked Supervisor Ramos for what he has done for the Community and he also thanked him for the letter of opposition to SB 1262 & 1263. Vice-Chair, Roger Peterson spoke about the language in the bills such as development and new construction in the bills and the different ways it could be interpreted and he worried that would affect a single dwelling development and he then asked could the County adopt an ordinance or work with the Planning Dept. and define a single dwelling project is not a development? Mr. Ramos responded that the bills do have "grandfathered in" clauses on hauled water and that other Supervisors are starting to recognize there are issues with hauled water. He also stressed the importance of Community input to let the Supervisors know how this affects them. Member, Better Munson asked Mr. Ramos about the energy element on the county plan? Supervisor, Ramos, replies they are still waiting for the public comment period to end to see what community members want. He is also asked about what happened to the 2006 Community Plan and will it be used at all in the new community plan? Mr. Ramos replied they do plan on rolling over some of 2006 community plan into new plan but they are waiting to receive summaries of community concerns to see what changes the

community is wanting. He encourages the public to continue being involved in the community plan and to join in the next series of upcoming meetings. Supervisor, Ramos, also spoke some about the Board of Supervisors changing zones and ordinances to compliment the community plan. A Community Member asked Mr. Ramos if he receives the comments that the public sends in concerning the community plan. He replied to CC all Board offices when you send in comments. Third District Supervisor, James Ramos thanked the public and council for having him.

#### **REPORTS:**

- a) San Bernardino County Sherriff- Representative- Not Present
- **b) San Bernardino County Fire- Representative** Not Present
- c) Cal Fire-Representative- Battalion Chief, Grant Malinowski, reported that fire season is still going on and that Santa Anna Wind season has started as well. He reported on State and Federal wildland fires this season had burned approximately 600,000 acres. He spoke briefly about recent fires in area they had responded to and one was a 2.5 acre fire off Custer Street. He reported on the winter outlook and warmer weather was predicted with a La Nina influence and that California was still in drought.
- d) CSA 29 Report-Reese Troublefield- Not Present
- e) 3rd District Field Representative, Molly Wiltshire (Present) Molly Wiltshire announced November 29<sup>th</sup> Give Big San Bernardino would be taking place. It is a one day-online way-to donate to local charities in San Bernardino County. She stated one would be able to pick the charity they would like to donate to and she encouraged any local charities to register with Give Big San Bernardino and that could be done online. She lastly reported the Russel Park Plaque Dedication would be rescheduled.
- f) State Assembly 33<sup>rd</sup> District- Representative- Not present
- g) Land Use Committee-Roger Peterson-Roger Peterson reported Land Use Committee meeting with Next Era Solar Energy Company on re-proposed project North of Haynes Rd and East of Hwy 247/Barstow Rd which included an increase in acreage usage from 421 to 463 acres. They gave Solar Company a list of concerns that the Committee had. Roger Peterson stated he would bring Council information as it comes in.
- h) Cemetery Committee-Jean Fuqua- None

## **CORRESPONDENCE:**

- a) United States Marine Corp:
  - a. Subject: Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement for Proposed Desert Tortoise Translocation Options at Marine Corps Air Ground Compact Center, 29 Palms, CA 45 day public review starting Sept 30.

## **INFORMATION/NON-ACTION ITEMS:**

a) State Highway 247 Scenic 247 Issue: New Cell Tower Johnson Valley: The Council discussed an email that was sent to County Planning Dept. from Betty Munson regarding the new cell tower that has gone up on Scenic Highway 247 and the lengthy reply from Planning Dept.

**ACTION ITEMS**: None

<b>COUNCIL MEMBERS REQUEST</b>	S/REPORTS: None
<b>NEXT MEETING</b> : November 17, 2	2016 @ 5:00pm
<b>MEETING ADJOURNMENT</b> Mee	ting adjourned at 5:52pm

Respectfully Submitted by Carmen Fox, Recording Secretary

Date approved	Richard Selby, Chairman	